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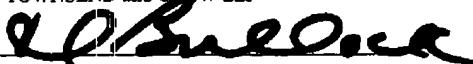
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In re application of:

VEERASAMY, VIJAYEN, et al.

Application No.: 10/773,796

Filed: February 6, 2004

For: RECORDING MEDIA HAVING
PROTECTIVE OVERCOATS OF
HIGHLY TETRAHEDRAL
AMORPHOUS CARBON AND
METHODS FOR THEIR PRODUCTION

Confirmation No. 8456

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 16, 2005 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.